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### ABATE of Alaska Board Meeting Minutes 05 March 2015

- I. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM** - Ed Rutledge, Julie Forsyth, Bobbe Reilly, Dan “Havoc” Coffey, Tom Evans, Big Dave Monroe, Boyd McFail, Spyder (Dan), Dan “RC” Owen, and Lynn Fibranz. Quorum is present.
- II. INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS** – Meeting called to order by Ed at 7:04 pm tonight.
- III. AGENDA/MINUTES APPROVED** – January 2015 Board Meeting Minutes mailed out for review on 04 February 2015. Secretary did not attend February 2015 Board Meeting, and quorum was not present at that time. Move to approve January 2015 meeting minutes as is motion made by Big Dave and seconded by Tom Evans. Passed unanimously.
- IV. REPORTS:**
- A. Gaming – Dan “RC” Owens as Primary here. Need place to land the gaming permit.
  - B. Legislative – Boyd McFail here.
  - C. Finance – Bobbe Reilly here. Inventory on patches, bumper stickers. ABATE received \$23,000 bond money from state. See AoA Profit Lost Budget 2015 statement. Discussion about Grant - Murkowski letter asking them to give ABATE their due grant monies. Kudos to Bobbe for writing it.
  - D. Membership – Bobbe Reilly here. Business Memberships: Ralphie Morel - Denali Alaska FCU Letter stuffing, was introduced by Bobbe. Paid up active members guestimate was around 200. Denali AFC will put ABATE inserts into members monthly statement at \$.05/per item. Motion by Big Dave to have ABATE’s yearly advertising budget to be increased to \$25,000, which includes Stripling’s \$18,000 as well. Motion seconded by Bobbe. Discussion occurred, and passed unanimously. Motion made by Big Dave that ABATE do the Denali AFC stuffing four times a year, with a second by Tom. Passed unanimously.
  - E. Newsletter – Bobbe Reilly here. Need more pictures. Newsletter in mid-April to advertise May Motorcycle Month, and other summer activities. Next one at beginning of July for Xmas in July, and fall events.
  - F. PR – Ed Rutledge here. Bike Show (staffing schedule). Bike Blessing /Gathering (activities, Hosts & Speakers, set up/break down, staffing). May Motorcycle

- Awareness Month (radio/TV spots, Steve Stripling) – sent Ed advertising proposal for \$18,000. RC made motion and Big Dave seconded motion for Ed to go ahead with Stripling’s \$18,000 proposal. Passed unanimously by quorum. Big Dave talked about getting ABATE’s issues, and events, out to the public through various means. Range Dedication (status update) – Julie suggested Sunday, 03 May ’15, with dedication at 7pm there at Range. Use Sullivan as a start and end staging area. Discussion about plaque versus bench with plaque. Suzanne Coffey asked the Board to consider adding Mina to the dedication. Highway Memorial Sign: is going through HOG and DOT, so ABATE can step back from this.
- G. Products – Brad Campbell not here. Big Dave emailed Board with some items from Meeting of Minds. He suggested members find other events to go to so can talk about ABATE. All products are now in ABATE’s office, not in trailer, thanks to Big Dave.
  - H. Riders Ed – Barb Smart not here. Can sign up on-line now for classes. And Barb had her instructors meeting last month.
  - I. Web Master – Big Dave Monroe here. Being pro-active about events on social media. Any printed material, include ABATE’s URL and FB. Big Dave to talk with Blue regarding ownership of ABATE FB page. Ralphie suggested FB poll on insurance, so can go to the insurance companies to help push ABATE’s message(s).
  - J. Run Coordinator – Julie “Birdy” Forsyth here. Break Up Run/Ride for Rikki discussion with CVMA. May 16 Break-up Run departing from Whaler. Split band cost between Sheep Creek and ABATE.

## **V. OLD BUSINESS –**

- A. Goals for 2015: Runs, Classes, Monies, Newsletters, Travel, Training, Range Improvements, Projects, Monetary Requirements Throughout the Year, COC Coordination.
- B. Plans for 2015 (Range Dedication, Naming, Rides after quick summer meetings).
- C. Range Dedication (status update).
- D. Wild Apricot software update by Big Dave. Use it for anything members-related such as events, emails, membership, etc. Motion by Big Dave to pay for Wild Apricot Software on a yearly basis of \$550, with Bobbe seconding it. Call for question – passed unanimously.
- E. AMA Insurance – all Board members and Officers. Some ABATE will pay for their own. ABATE needs at least 10-12 members.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Bike Show – staffing schedule. 18-19 April is event date. Bobbe will scan current schedule and email it out. RC will be in Ireland at that time.
- B. Bike Blessing /Gathering (activities, Hosts & Speakers, set up/break down, staffing. Ed discussed list of events, porta-potties, and flyer. Event is Saturday, 02 May ’15, at downtown parkstrip, from 10 am to 2 pm. RC said if locals are complaining and want larger police present, then locals can pay for those police to be there. Ed asked for \$6100 for Bike Blessing special event. Tom made a motion and seconded by Big Dave, to allow Ed to use up to \$6100 for the Bike Blessing. Motion passed unanimously. Dan suggested adding Bike Blessing event as line item in budget.
- C. May Motorcycle Awareness Month (radio/TV spots, Steve Stripling). Event is May 2.

- D. CVMA speaker, Tweeter, introduced by RC. CVMA interested in joint Break-up Run, to benefit 5-time combat vet with daughter who has Kabuki syndrome, who will be riding on back of motorcycle. Benefit for her. Julie is OK with Tweeter making up flyers. Dinner would be around 5pm, leaving Anchorage at 11:30, with poker run stops on the way. Big Dave suggested charity benefit the vet's daughter. Motion by RC to enjoin with CVA to make special Break-up Run for Rikki, and seconded by Big Dave. Pass unanimously after discussion ensued.
- E. Highway Memorial Sign: Heads up and step back.
- F. Proposed 2015 budget.

**V. MISCELLANEOUS**

- A. Tweeter suggested ABATE have yearly memorial ride, with guest book during event.
- B. ....
- C. ....

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is Thursday, 02 April 2015.
- B. Next Members Meeting is 19 March 2015, 7:00 pm at Sea Galley.
- C. Motion to adjourn by Lynn and seconded by Bobbe to adjourn; meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm.

Lynn L. Fibranz – ABATE Secretary